

SIXTH CIRCUIT COURT FOR DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

IN RE:

**BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE and
FORD MOTOR CO. TIRE CASES**

Case No. 01MD-2

ORDER

Before the Court is Plaintiffs' Motion To Compel seeking the production of items pursuant to the Plaintiffs' First and Second Requests for Production. After a thorough review of the motion, response, reply, memoranda, the Requests and their respective responses, the Court is of the opinion that the request to compel responses to discovery in said motion is well-taken and should be granted. The Court does not find that the other requested relief is appropriate at this time.

Therefore, Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel production of requested documents and things pursuant to Plaintiffs' First and Second Request for Production is hereby GRANTED. Defendant, Ford Motor Company, shall produce the requested documents and items within thirty (30) days of entry of this Order. Defendant may comply by identifying any documents or items previously provided under discovery in the MDL. Such identification shall be specific and shall refer to the Bates numbered pages where applicable. Provided, that in regards to those documents and items designated as being non-discoverable, Defendant shall provide a privilege log identifying with sufficient detail any documents or items that it submits are privileged or confidential within said time frame. All other objections to the requests are hereby overruled.

Plaintiffs' other requested relief seeking a finding that Defendant employed dilatory tactics, setting this case for trial, setting a pre-admission conference and seeking an award of attorney fees and costs is hereby DENIED.

IT IS, SO ORDERED.

Entered this the _____ day of _____, 2001.

HOMAS W. BROTHERS, JUDGE **T**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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